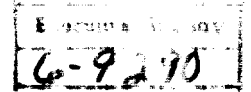


Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security

3527 Department of Justice, Washington 25, D. C.

April 13, 1955



Honorable Allen W. Dulles  
Director, Central Intelligence Agency  
2430 E Street  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

Enclosed are two copies of a questionnaire prepared by the Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security (ICIS) which is being circulated to all executive departments and agencies as a means of obtaining information on the implementation of Executive Order 10501 (Safeguarding Official Information in the Interests of the Defense of the United States), in accordance with the responsibility therefor assigned to ICIS by the National Security Council pursuant to Section 17 of the Order.

*Done* | It is requested that your Agency respond to this questionnaire by May 15, 1955. In the event more time is needed to complete the questionnaire, an interim reply to the ICIS, noting that fact would be appreciated. One copy of the completed questionnaire should be sent to the Executive Secretary, ICIS, Room 2515, Department of Justice Building.

It is requested that the information furnished be sufficiently detailed to enable the ICIS to accurately assess the degree to which Executive Order 10501 is being implemented by your Agency.

You will note that the information requested is to cover the period from December 15, 1953 (the effective date of Executive Order 10501), through March 31, 1955. Thereafter, the ICIS will request similar reports on a semiannual basis.

Sincerely yours,

J. Walter Yeagley  
Chairman, Interdepartmental Committee  
on Internal Security

NSC review(s) completed.

March 25, 1955

REPORT BY \_\_\_\_\_

(Department or Agency)

ON SAFEGUARDING OF CLASSIFIED DEFENSE INFORMATION OR  
MATERIAL PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER 10501

FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 15, 1953 THROUGH MARCH 31, 1955

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to assist the Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security (ICIS) of the National Security Council in conducting a continuing review of the implementation of Executive Order 10501 in the Executive Branch, so as to insure that classified defense information or material is properly safeguarded in conformity with the Order.

The Council has designated ICIS to conduct such review and has directed that ICIS report at least semi-annually with respect thereto. The information reported herein will be used by ICIS in making such reports to the Council.

QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Indicate in the spaces provided:

- (a) The approximate number of officers and employees in your Department or Agency \_\_\_\_\_.
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- (b) Indicate the progress made in such review, declassification, and downgrading: \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Have adequate physical or mechanical means been provided for safeguarding all classified defense information in accordance with Section 6? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_. If the answer is No, give extent to which facilities are lacking and reasons for non-availability:

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